(iii) Random physical examination of x-ray screened baggage increased to 25-30 per cent

(iv) 100% physical examination of baggage of USA bound passengers, as per emergency amendment by Federal Aviation Administration, as well as all other stringent requirement laid down by FAA.

(v) Enhancement in the security checks of all cabin catering items including meal uplifts.

(vi) Cooling off of all cargo for the prescribed period and x-ray screening of cargo even in the case of known shippers.

(vii) At all vulnerable stations security measures have been increased to the highest threat level for all flights.

Desilting of Major Rivers in Orissa

* 38. SHRI RAMCHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prepared a national action plan for desilting of all the major rivers in the country especially Mahanadi, Brahmani, Vaitami rivers in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the rasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by Government for regular desilting of all the major rivers in order to check frequent floods?

THEMTNISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BUOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (d) Flood Management being a State subject, flood control schemes including desilting of rivers to check floods are planned, funded and executed by the State Governments themselves out of their own resources and as per their own priorities. The Central Government renders assistance that are technical, cataly tical and promotional in nature. The Government of India have not prepared any national action plan for desilting of all the major rivers in the country especially Mahanadi, Brahmani, Vaitami rivers in Orissa. The Government of India have recently set up a Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. B.K. Mittal, former Chairman, Central Water Commission to study the problem of silting in rivers.